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VEHICLE REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM USING THE SAME
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- 1) FR 2 814 188
- 2) JP 2003-106019
- 3) EP 1 041 226

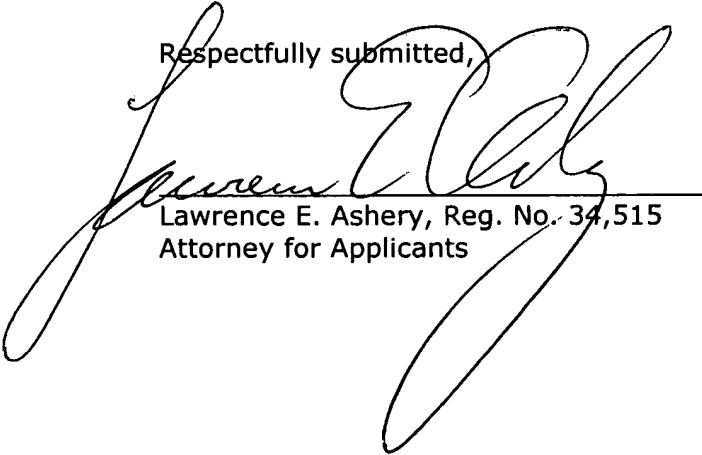
References 1) and 2) include an English language abstract. Reference 2) also includes a "concise explanation: under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) as set forth in the specification at page 3, line 11.

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